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FOR DANIEL GOOTT, EUR

1. ELECTION: IN A SIGNIFICANT DEMONSTRATION OF PERSONAL ABILITY BRUNO STORTI WON EFFECTIVE REELECTION AS CIST SEC GEN BY VOTES REPRESENTING 1,224,500 OF THE 2,184,279 TOTAL CISL MEMBERSHIP. METALWORKERS STRENGTH IN THIS MAJORITY WAS SHOWN IN LARGE VOTE FOR FORMER METALWORKER SEC GEN MACARIO. IT IS WIDELY REPORTED HE WILL REPLACE OPPOSITION LEADER VITO SCALI AS CISL DEP SEC GEN. VOTE WAS ON TWO LIST OF CANDIDATES TO GENERAL COUNCIL HEADED RESPECTIVELY BY STORTI AND SCALIA WITH CROSS OVER VOTE ALLOWED. YOUNG FRANCO MARINI WHO HAD EARLIER IMPRESSED CONGRESS AND WHO CONSISTENTLY ATTEMPTED TO MEDIATE DIFFERENCES STORTI-SCALIA GROUPS, RAN FAR AHEAD OF SCALIA AND OTHERS OF THAT LIST, THIS ASSURING HIS PERSONAL FUTURE IN CISL LEADERSHIP.

2. VOTE BY LIST WAS 56 0/0 SORTI VS. 44 0/0 SCALIA. CIST SAUTES PROVIDE THAT THE MAJORITY LIST TAKES 24 OF 30 GENERAL COUNCIL SEATS WHICH CONGRESS ELECTS. NEW GENERAL COUNCIL, MEETING JUNE 22 TO ELECT SECRETARIAT FOR FOUR- YEAR PERIOD, EXPECTED HAVE 87

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MEMBERS OENERALLY FAVORING SORTI WIH IMPRESSIVE 5#- MEMBER MINORITY. NOT YET CLEAR WHETHER STORTI WILL ACCEPT METALWORKER PRESSURE TO FORM SECRETARIAT EXCLUSIVELY F MAJORITY ELEMENTS OR WHETHER, IN INTEREST INTERNAL UNITY, HE WILL OFFER UP TO 4 OUT OF 11 SEAS TO MINORIY.

3. ANY MAGNANIMOUS OFFER HOWEVER TO RETAIN SCALIA AS DEPUTY SEEMS UNLIKELY. MARINI EXPECTED TAKE OVER MINORIY LEADERSHIP ON SECRETARIAT BU AS LOYAL OPPOSIION SEEKING INFLUENCE DECISIONS. HREA TO FORM SEPARATE HEADQUARERS OR EVEN SPLIT CONSIDERED REDUCED IN VIEW OF MARINI GROUP STRAEGY OF WORKING TO DIRECTLY INFLUENCESTORTI WITHIN SECRETARIAT AND WEAKEN HIS TIES WITH METALWORKERS.

4. CISL POLICY: DESPITE LAS MINUTE CALL BY MARINI GROUP FOR CONORESS O APPRVE COMPROMISE CISLHOLICY SATEMENT, THERE WERE TWOALTERNATE RESOLUTIONS. CONGRESS APPROVED STORTI DOCUMENT WHICH REJECTS IDEA OF " SOCIAL PACT" BY UNIONS, GOVERNMENT AND INDUSTRY RECENTLY URGED BY PCI LEADER AMANDOLA AND, IN DIFFERENT PHRASEOLOGY AND FO DIFFERENT REASONS, BY SCALIA GROUP. POLICY STATEMENT ALSO REJECTS " SELF- REGULATION" OF STRIKES BUT REMAINED COGNIZANT OF NEED AVOID STRIKES OF GRAVE INCONVENIENCE TO PUBLIC.

5. MAJORIY MOTION CALLED ON CISL LEADERSHIP TO DO ALL IN ITS POWER TO BRING ABOUT UNITY DURING ITS 4- YEAR MANDATE. MINORITY MOTION, FAR MORE CAUTIOUS, TERMED " FEDERATION CGIL, CISL, UIL" AS HIGHEST UNITARY EXPERIMENT NOW POSSIBLE. DESPITE APPARENTLY CLEAR MAJORITY POSIION STORI' S CLOSING STATEMENT TO CONGRESS STRESSED THAT UNLESS AND UNTIL OTHER UNIONS ACHIEVED AUTONOMY FROM POLIT- ICAL PARTIES, UNITY NOT POSSIBLE. MINORITY ALSO EXPECTED CONTINUE RETARD UNITARY PROCESS ATRATEGORY LEVEL.

6. CONGRESS OUTCOME MEANS PERSONAL VICORY STORTI, CONFIRMS SRENHTH NARNITI ANDMETALWORKERS, MARKS THE DECLINE OF SCALIA AND DISCOVERY NEW LEADER IN MARINI, AFFIRMS CONTINUED PRESENCE SARTORI AND OTHERS OF IMPORTANT MINORITY VIEWS. LATTER, FOR EXAMPLE, LIKELY TEMPER OVERALL GENERAL COUNCIL POLICY. FOR EXAMPLE, NET IS THAT CISL LIKELY TO ENGAGE IN SOME SORT OF DIALOGUE WITH GOVERNMENT AND INDUSTRY, DESPIE EVERYTHING, AND TO CURB STRIKE ACIVITY. LEFT DC PARY FACTION, FORZA NUOVE, INFLUENTIAL WIH MARINI AND OTHERS, WILLPROBABLY URGE THIS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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COURSE OF ACTION. CGIL NOW DOES SO. IT MAY ALSO BE IN STORTI' S INTEREST TO REDUCE DEPENDENCE ON MORE COMBATIVE, MILITAN METALWORKERS AND RESPOND POLITICALLY- CONNECTED MEDIAORY GROUPS. VOLPE

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